



66th Michigan Police Shoot

September 4, 2003

1000 East South Street, Jackson MI

TO CHIEFS OF POLICE, STATE POLICE & SHERIFFS:

Through the courtesy of the Jackson Police Department, the 66th Annual Michigan Police Pistol Match will again be held at the R.V. Gray Pistol Range in Jackson. The date for this year's shoot is **Thursday, September 4, 2003**. The registration desk will open at 7:30 AM and the match will begin at 8:00 AM sharp.

This annual event is sponsored by the MACP, in cooperation with other law enforcement agencies. Your attention is directed to the rules governing the match—especially to participant qualifications, uniforms and that **no alcoholic beverages will be permitted on or adjacent to the range.** Violation of the rules will result in the disqualification of scores.

The 2003 shoot will offer a total of eight weapons awards. **These weapons may be won only once within the immediate preceding five annual matches by an individual.** This rule does not affect the grand aggregate match winner.

All competitors will have an equal chance (*by draw*) for two additional handgun awards—the Director's Award, offered by Col. Stephen Madden, Director, Michigan State Police, and the MACP President's Award. A contestant must be present at the drawing to be eligible.

TURKEY SHOOT

Plans are underway to have a "Turkey Shoot" at the conclusion of shooting and before the awards ceremony. Be prepared for this added attraction.

SPECIAL ATTENTION:

1. **The match is open for entry of individual shooters, not representing a team.** (*See Rule VI, Item D*).
2. **Reserve, Auxiliary and posse team members are now eligible to compete.** (*See Rule VE, Part G for details*).
3. **Small departments (Classes D & E) are allowed to combine regular and reserve officers in one team.** (*See Rule VI, B*)
4. **Retirees register for \$20.00.**

Pre-registration fee is \$25.00 and on-site registration is \$30.00. Pre-registration forms must be received at the State Police Training Academy **on or before September 3, 2003.** Payment can be made by check,

money order, or purchase order. **Retirees registration fee is \$20.00.**

The Women Police of Michigan will present a perpetual, traveling trophy for "Top Female Shooter".

A perpetual trophy plaque will again be presented by the Michigan Sheriff's Association to the sheriff or deputy sheriff firing the highest total score.

PLEASE RETURN YOUR ENTRY FORM AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

Lunch will be available at the range.

Entries are limited to 10 relays, 45 competitors per relay. Preference is given to team entries. No pickup teams are allowed. All team members must belong to the same department.

SPECIAL ATTENTION: Each shooter will be **required to execute a liability waiver form when making payment of the shoot fee on September 5th.**

We look forward to seeing you on September 5th. Please encourage neighboring departments and individual officers to attend this year's MICHIGAN POLICE SHOOT.

RULES OF THE ANNUAL MICHIGAN POLICE SHOOT

- I. The Annual Michigan Police Shoot, hereinafter referred to as the tournament, shall be held on the first Thursday after Labor Day each year, at a range approved by the Board of Directors.
- II. **Participants shall be limited to full time peace officers, and/or part-time officers (MCOLES certified) duly employed by a law enforcement agency, who have been residents of the state of Michigan for the preceding six months, and are engaged in the general enforcement of the criminal laws and ordinances of the State of Michigan and its political subdivisions.** Any agency not meeting the requirements of this section, and which participated in the tournament last preceding the adoption of these rules, may continue to participate, so long as the participation is continuous. For purposes of these rules and for

classification of teams, the common law definition of peace officer shall apply, including federal officers and retired Michigan peace officers.

- III. A Tournament Committee Chairman shall be appointed annually by the President to serve from September 15 of each year, through the date of the tournament of the next succeeding year.
- IV. Unless specifically set forth in these rules, the N.R.A. rules shall govern this tournament. A Rules Committee shall be appointed by the Tournament Committee to interpret rules and range operation.
- V. Range Officer(s), an Official Referee, and a Statistical Officer shall also be selected by the Tournament Committee prior to the tournament.

The Range Officers will conduct the firing of the matches and the scoring of all targets.

The Official Referee will make final decisions on all matters incidental to firing and scoring targets.

The Statistical Officer will supervise registration and compile the scores.

VI. Team Classification and Individual Officer Entry

- A. Team classifications are governed by the number of authorized full time peace officers positions in the individual governmental unit, as of July 1 of the current year. Entries will be by full teams only, except the Chiefs' Match. Contestants must have been members of the department they represent and residents of the State of Michigan for at least six consecutive months immediately prior to the tournament.

Class AA: All police and sheriffs' departments with 301 or more members and individual Federal law enforcement agencies whose officers meet the requirements of Rule II.

Class A: All police and sheriffs' departments with from 101 to 301 members.

Class B: All police and sheriffs' departments with from 51 to 100 members.

Class C: All police and sheriffs' departments with from 21 to 50 members.

Class D: All police and sheriffs' departments with from 8 to 20 members.

Class E: All police and sheriffs' departments with from 2 to 7 members.

- B. Class AA may enter only five-man teams.

Class A may only enter five-man teams, and may compete in either Class AA or Class A,

but not both. Class designation must be stated at the time entries are filed.

Class B may enter only four-man teams.

Class C may enter only three-man teams.

Class D may enter only two-man teams.

Class E may enter only two-man teams.

Class D and E may enter two-man teams wherein one shooter may be a reserve officer, MCOLES certified or non-certified.

- C. Departments may enter as many teams as they wish within their class.

D. Individual Officer Entry

1. Those Michigan police officers not shooting on a departmental team may enter as an individual shooter and compete for individual awards.
2. The entry fee per individual is the same as the individual fee for those shooting as team members.
3. Individual entries accepted to the capacity of the range.
4. Preference is given to team entries.
5. No pick up teams allowed.

E. Retired Officers Entry

1. Retired police officers may compete amongst each other in a special group to be squadded at the discretion of the match chairman.
2. A plaque will be awarded to the shooter with the highest aggregate score in this category and will be supplied by the Michigan Association of Chiefs of Police.
3. The competitors in this category shall identify the law enforcement agency from which they retired on the entry form supplied by the Michigan Association of Chiefs of Police.
4. These officers must be retired from a regularly constituted law enforcement agency, or a municipal or county government, or Michigan State Police. Individuals competing as retirees may not compete in any other category, including Grand Aggregate.
5. Prior to their retirement, they must have been full-time officers vested with general

police authority within their jurisdiction and they must be on full retirement status – not early retirement or disability retirement.

6. Individual entries accepted to the capacity of the range.

F. Federal Peace Officers

Federal Peace Officers with at least six months residency in Michigan may compete as individual entries as specified in D. above.

Note: If five full-time Michigan officers from the same Federal agency wish to compete as a team, they may compete in Class AA and will be eligible for the team awards.

G. Reserve, Auxiliary or Posse Team Entry

1. Peace officer reserve, auxiliary or posse three person departmental teams, regardless of departmental size, may compete amongst each other in a special group and are not eligible for any other award.
2. The entry fee per individual is the same as the individual fee for those shooting as team members.
3. A plaque will be awarded to the department with the highest score in this category and will be supplied by the Michigan Association of Chiefs of Police.
4. The competitors in this category shall identify the law enforcement agency which they are from and their status as reserve, auxiliary or posse on the entry form.
5. Officers shooting under this classification do not need MCOLES certification.

VII. SHOOTING REGULATIONS

A. Firearms shall be limited to the following:

1. Center-fire pistols or revolvers of .32 caliber or larger.
2. Barrel length, including cylinder, not to exceed ten inches.
3. Trigger pull not less than 2 ½ pounds, except that the trigger pull of .45 caliber semi-automatic pistols shall not be less than 3 ½ pounds.
4. All standard safety features of the weapon must operate properly.

- B. Sights may be adjustable, but not over ten inches apart and must not contain glass. All

rear sights must be strictly open and the notch must be as wide at the top as at any other part. Aperture, peep, or any covered or shaded sights are not permissible. Sights must be suited for holster wear.

- C. Targets shall be the 25 yard N.R.A. target, with a center X ring. The X ring will be used for breaking ties.

- D. Ammunition will be furnished by the competitor.

- E. The shooter must stand free from any support. The pistol must be held in one hand, with the arm extended so as to be free from the body while shooting.

- F. The course of fire will be the CAMP PERRY COURSE, with a possible score of 300.

1. SLOW FIRE: five minutes for ten, one score, at 25 yards.

2. TIMED FIRE: two strings of five shots each, at 20 seconds per string, one score, at 25 yards.

3. RAPID FIRE: two strings of five shots each, at 10 seconds per string, one score, at 25 yards.

- G. Scoring will take place after 10 shots.

- H. All shooters will be encouraged to wear the Class A uniform of their departments.

- I. Deflecting Screens

- J. Shooters may use a screen fastened to their shooting kit, or similarly placed, to deflect empty cases, provided the screen is made of material such as "hardware cloth", with wires not larger than 1/16 inch in diameter and spaced not closer than ¼ inch. Screens of solid material may not be used.

VIII. CHIEF'S MATCH

A special feature of the tournament is a contest for police chiefs, commissioners, directors of public safety and sheriffs. This means the administrative head of the department only. No exceptions or substitutions can be made. The course of fire will be the CAMP PERRY COURSE.

Those who qualify for this event and who fire as team members will use the score fired with the team for the Chief's Match score. Those not firing with a team will fire as squadded.

- IX. Fees will be set in advance of the annual conference of the MACP, and any changes must be approved by the Board of Directors.

X. TROPHIES AND AWARDS

- A. A perpetual Governor's Trophy for each class will be presented to the teams scoring the greatest number of points. These trophies will be retained by the winning team until the next annual tournament, at which time they will be returned to competition. In the event the holder of one of the trophies does not compete to defend it at the next annual tournament, the holder will be required to return it to the chairman of the Tournament Committee, who will place it in competition.
- B. Permanent plaques will be awarded to the departments placing first, second and third in each class. These plaques shall become the property of the winning departments.
- C. Suitable individual awards will be presented to members of winning teams in all classes.
- D. High aggregate winner is not eligible for a class gun.
- E. Suitable individual awards will be presented to the individuals making the three highest total scores. Similar awards will be presented to the three shooters making the highest scores in each class of fire: rapid, timed and slow.
 - 1. No contestant will be awarded more than one (1) individual award, except that members of winning teams are eligible for one (1) individual award in addition to the award as a team member.
 - 2. Any special award presented to the winner or presented by this Association, may not have been won within the immediate preceding five annual matches by any individual. (This means it may be won in the sixth year. This rule does not affect the Grand Aggregate Match winner of the Michigan Police Pistol Match).
 - 3. A challenge or protest must be made to the Statistical Office prior to, or immediately upon, announcement during the award ceremony.

A challenge of protest of awards which does not meet this prerequisite will not be accepted.
- F. Suitable individual awards will be presented to those placing first, second and third in the Chiefs' Match.
 - 1. Only current members of the Michigan Association of Chiefs of Police, or a sheriff, will be eligible for any award in the Chiefs' Match.

- 2. Any special award presented to the winner of the Chief's Match, other than plaques, medals or trophies presented by this Association, may be won and accepted only one time by any individual.

- F. Any special awards to be offered shall first be presented to the Tournament Committee for consideration and then approved by the Board of Directors.
- G. The perpetual trophies shall be the responsibility of the department holding each. Damage caused by negligence shall be accountable to that department; however, normal wear and deterioration shall be the responsibility of the Association.
- H. Suitable individual awards may be approved by the Board of Directors for presentation to range officers, officials, hosts, and others for their efforts in keeping this tournament a successful operation.
- I. Contestants competing as individuals are unclassified and only eligible for awards given to the three highest scores in each stage of fire: slow, timed and rapid; and the Grand Aggregate.

Teams must be complete otherwise those team competitors are unclassified and not part of a class.

Individual competitors are also eligible for the additional handgun awards given by drawing.

- XI. No alcoholic beverages will be permitted on, or adjacent to, the range. Violation of the rule will result in disqualification of the violator.
- XII. Arrangements for displays shall be approved by the Tournament Committee and such displays shall be confined to police weapons, or equipment related to shooting.

Each team must have a designated team captain. His responsibilities are outlined in rule 12.1 of N.R.A. Pistol Rules, and include:

- 1. Be familiar with the program and make proper entries.
- 2. Check his team scores, sign team score cards, and make challenges and/or protests.

SCORING

The team captain will designate one man from his team to act as a scorer. Team cards will be passed to the right—score the team at your left.

Visual aids will be displayed on the range to assist scoring.